Claims

1. Method for communication in a radio communication system, comprising network-side devices (APS1, APS2, ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E), mobile stations (MS), and network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) distributed over a plurality of roughly regular positions over a radio cell,

in which

a message (ADD) of a mobile station (MS) is received by at least some of the network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E),

subsequently a user data message (DATA) is transmitted via a plurality of the network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS), with which network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belonging to the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) depending on which network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) have received the message (ADD) of the mobile station (MS),

characterized in that

a signaling message (ADR) which requests the mobile station (MS) to transmit a response message (ADD) is transmitted via at least one network-side antenna (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS), with the signaling message being used exclusively for the purposes of requesting the response message (ADD),

and

the message (ADD) received on the network side being a response message (ADD) sent in response to the receipt of a signaling message (ADR).

2. Method according to claim 1, characterized in

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that,

the signaling message (ADR) is sent at regular first intervals.

- 3. Method in accordance with one of the claims 1 to 2, characterized in that the signaling message (ADR) is transmitted before the transmission of the user data message (DATA) to the mobile station (MS) under the condition that a specific second period of time has elapsed since the last transmission of a message of the same type as the signaling message (ADR).
- 4. Method in accordance with one of the claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the signaling message (ADR) is transmitted via all networkside antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) of one or more radio cells (FZ1, FZ2) of the radio communications system or via all network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) of the radio communications system.
- 5. Method in accordance with one of the claims 1 to 4, characterized in that the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belong to same radio cell (FZ1, FZ2) of the radio communications system, or at least some of the network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) of the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belong to different radio cells (FZ1, FZ2) of the radio communications system.
- 6. Method in accordance with one of the claims 1 to 5, characterized in that the signaling message (ADR) comprises identification information of the relevant radio cell (FZ1, FZ2), about

the network-side antenna (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) or antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) via which it is transmitted, and the response message (ADD, ACK) comprises identification information of that radio cell or radio cells (FZ1, FZ2), from the network-side antenna or antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) of which the mobile station (MS) has received the signaling message (ADR).

Network-side device (APS1) in a radio communications, which comprises network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) distributed roughly regularly at a plurality of positions over a radio cell, with means (RECEIVE) for receiving via at least some of the network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) a message (ADD) of a mobile station (MS) or for receiving information about the receipt of a message (DD) of a mobile station received via at least some of the network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E), with the message (ADD) received on the network side being a response message (ADD) received in response to a signaling message (ADR) received via at least one network-side antenna (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS) transmitted exclusively for the purposes of requesting the response message (ADD) which requests the mobile station (MS) to send a response message (ADD), with means (INSTRUCT) for arranging that a user data message (DATA) is transmitted via a plurality of the network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS), with means (DECIDE) for deciding whether network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belong to the

plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C,

- ANT-D, ANT-E) depending on which network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) have received the message (ADD) of the mobile station (MS).
- Computer program product for a network-side device (APS1) 8. in a radio communications system, which comprises antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) distributed roughly regularly at a plurality of positions over a radio cell, with means for receiving information about the receipt of a message (ADD) of a mobile station received via at least some of the network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E), with the message (ADD) received on the network side being a response message (ADD) received in response to a signaling message (ADR) received via at least one network-side antenna (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS) transmitted exclusively for the purposes of requesting the response message (ADD) which requests the mobile station (MS) to send a response message (ADD),

with means for deciding that a user data message (DATA) will be sent over a plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS),

with means for deciding whether network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belong to the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E), depending on which network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) have received the message (MESSAGE; ADD, ACK) of the mobile station (MS).